

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Entitled:
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Joseph M. Ahearn et al.	:	IDENTIFICATION AND MONITORING
	:	OF SYSTEMATIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS
Filing Date November 20, 2006	:	
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Serial No. 10/552,177	:	Confirmation No.: 6534
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Examiner Gailene Gabel	:	
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Group Art Unit 1641	:	Attorney Docket No.: 293987-00007 US

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC  
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May 6, 2009

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants submit this Supplemental Amendment based on a telephone discussion between the Examiner, Gailene Gabel, and Applicants' undersigned attorney, Carol Marmo. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following claim amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this Supplemental Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Supplemental Amendment.

The undersigned is hereby authorizing payment of the two-month extension of time fee, in the amount of \$490.00 to be charged to Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC American Express Credit Card during the electronic transmission process.